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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The Chair recognizes Senator Bourne to speak.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Madam President, members. Listen, I was looking at the bill, and I'm trying to determine how we can simply remove the increased tax that is allocated to the affordable housing program. And I don't know that I can do that that easily, because it's talking about transferring \$2 million from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Behavioral Health Services Fund. And then there's an increase of, I think it was, 50 cents or 75 cents, as mentioned by Senator Redfield. But I think what I'm going to do is I'm going waive off for now, and I'm going to go and I'm going to file the original amendment that Senator Redfield withdrew, and that was, I believe, AM1446. Because that is what we agreed to on General File. It was AM1446, and that simply said that there's going to be an equitable allocation of these funds. And I can imagine each of you would be frustrated if you and your community had applied for this money and were rejected time and time again. So I'm trying to...there's no one in here that would advocate someone supporting an increased tax if they know their community isn't going to share in that increased grant money. So I'm going to get that amendment that Senator Redfield withdrew, that we had agreed on, and I'm going to file that. And hopefully, I can convince the body to adopt that amendment. I can't imagine anyone in here would not support an amendment that simply provides an equitable allocation amongst all the communities in our state. And that's what I'm going to shoot for. I'm going to go get that amendment, and I'm going to file that. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Senator Smith, you're...wait a minute. The Chair recognizes the Speaker for a brief announcement.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Madam President, members of the body, I wouldn't want you to miss the subtleties of the moment, so I thought I would share with you that we were in the process of redefining late nights. Because I had been assured that this bill would move, reliably assured, and I'm not faulting anyone--the process is what the process is, and sometimes it